



Memo

To: CDBG Committee

From: Sarah Lim, Community Development Specialist

Date: 10/7/2020

Re: Emergency Solutions Grant Program Supplemental Funding (ESG-CV) allocated to the City of Madison

The City of Madison was awarded \$2,890,929 in Emergency Solutions Grant Program Supplemental Funds (ESG-CV) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). These funds must be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic on individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance and can support emergency shelter, street outreach, rapid rehousing and homelessness prevention activities.

On August 4, 2020, the Common Council approved RES-20-00550 (Legistar Item #61295), which authorized the CDD to conduct a Request for Proposal (RFP) process to allocate the ESG-CV funds.

Approximately \$947,000 of ESG-CV funds have been set aside by Community Development Division for actual and anticipated costs to the City related to street outreach, emergency shelter services including operations at Warner Park Community Recreation Center, Homeless Management Information System and administration.

In collaboration with the Dane County Continuum of Care (CoC), CDD released a joint RFP on August 11, 2020, seeking agency proposals for both the allocation of \$1,472,134 in ESG-CV funds awarded by the State of Wisconsin to the Dane County CoC and \$1,943,882 of ESG-CV funds awarded directly to the City. CDD accepted applications through August 28, 2020. A total of 29 proposals were received from 18 non-profit agencies requesting a total of \$10,462,530.

CDD staff reviewed the submitted proposals and received input from a review team assembled by the Dane County CoC Board of Directors. Staff also took into account the CoC Board's decisions regarding the allocation of ESG-CV funds under its control. Staff recommends allocating the City's ESG-CV to the four agencies and six programs as listed below. CDD staff seeks authorization for the Mayor and City

Clerk to execute agreements with those agencies to implement the designated programs. The contract period will be from October 2020 to January 2022 for shelter projects and October 2020 to April 2022 for other projects. A companion Resolution, containing funding recommendations regarding the use of ESG-CV funds awarded to the Dane County CoC, which the City will administer, will be presented to the Council for its consideration.

It is important to highlight that funding for Emergency Shelter listed below will only cover six months of operations. It is expected that the Dane County CoC will receive a second allocation of ESG-CV funds from State of Wisconsin. CDD will work in collaboration with Dane County CoC Board to evaluate the need for ongoing financial support for Emergency Shelters.

| Agency | Project Name | Project Type | ESG-CV City funds Recommended |
|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------|--|
| JustDane (MUM) | Rapid Rehousing for Justice Involved Individuals | Rapid Rehousing | \$ 338,312 |
| Porchlight | Safe Haven | Emergency Shelter | \$ 112,684 |
| Porchlight | Men's Drop-in Shelter | Emergency Shelter | \$ 900,952 |
| Sankofa Educational Leadership United | Supporting Healthy Families-Rapid Rehousing | Rapid Rehousing | \$ 100,308 |
| The Salvation Army of Dane County | Family Shelter Case Manager | Emergency Shelter | \$ 28,774 |
| The Salvation Army of Dane County | Family Shelter-Karmenta Facility | Emergency Shelter | \$ 462,852 |
| TOTAL | | | \$ 1,943,882 |